Mersham Primary School

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Our new Ducklings in Reception have completed their first full week at school and we are all so proud of how well they have settled into school life. They are adapting well to the routines in class and are already really engaged with their learning – it has been lovely to see how well they are all doing.

Just to follow up on the Parentmail sent earlier in the week, the school will be closed on Monday 19th September due to the additional Bank Holiday. The school will reopen as normal on Tuesday 20th September.

Cheryl Chalkley Headteacher



The first Walk in Wednesday of the year will be on Wednesday 5th October. For those parents who are new to the school, this is an

opportunity to come into the classroom between 3:15-3:45pm to take a look at your child(ren)'s work. Class teachers are not available at this time to discuss individual children's progress and the event finishes promptly at 3:45pm to enable teachers to attend our regular staff meeting. However, if you would like to discuss your child's progress in more detail, you are welcome to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet with the class teacher at any point during the year. There will be no Walk in Wednesday in November as we will hold our official Parents' evenings then but there will be another Walk in Wednesday on 7th December.

Kent Fostering and Supported Homes

Please find attached leaflets providing further information about Kent Fostering and Supported Homes should you be interested

Mum2Mum – second hand clothes market

Please find attached details of the Mum2Mum second hand clothes market in Ashford this weekend.

After School Club at Mersham Primary School

We are currently looking into how we can run our own after school club at the school. We are only in the early stages of planning but if any parent or someone you may know in the community is interested in running the after school club, please contact Mrs Chalkley on

<u>headteacher@mersham.kent.sch.uk</u> with a CV. Ideally the person would have experience of working with children and have a minimum level 3 qualification linked to childcare, early years or as a



Upcoming Events

19 th Sept	Bank Holiday
5 th Oct	Walk in Wednesday
14th Oct	Harvest Festival (9:15
	at the Church)
21st Oct	Interim reports to
	parents
21st Oct	End of term 1
31st Oct	Start of term 2
1/2 nd Nov	Parents Evenings
7 th Dec	Walk in Wednesday
15 th Dec	Christmas Service
	(9:15 at the Church)
15 th Dec	Trip to Pantomime

teaching assistant. At this stage, I would like to be clear that we are only trying to gage interest in the position and there is currently no confirmed job role at the school.

Year 6 Parents – Secondary School Open days

The online application window for children enrolling into Year 7 in September 2023 opened on Thursday 1st September 2023 and will close at midnight on Monday 31st October 2023. Please find attached details of Open Days at Maidstone Girls Grammar School and Homewood.

Governor Vacancies

We currently have two vacancies on the Governing Board for co-opted governors. These are often sourced from the local community and are people who would like to volunteer to give something back to education. Many businesses also actively support employees in being a school governor. Unfortunately, for these positions, we are unable to accept current parents of the school but should you know anyone else, either personally or professionally, that may be interested in getting involved with being a school governor, please ask them to contact Mrs Chalkley on headteacher@mersham.kent.sch.uk or the Chair of Governors, Lesley Caldwell, on headteacher@mersham.kent.sch.uk.